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TAGS: OVIP (ATHERTON, ALFRED L., JR.)  
SUBJECT: ARRIVAL STATEMENT OF AMBASSADOR ATHERTON AT  
- AMMAN AIRPORT, AUGUST 11, 1978

QUOTE-- QUESTION: (BY CORRESPONDENT FOR JORDAN NEWS  
AGENCY): IS THERE ANYTHING SPECIAL YOU EXPECT TO ACHIEVE  
DURING THIS VISIT TO JORDAN, AS YOUR LAST VISIT WAS ONLY A  
FEW WEEKS AGO?

AMBASSADOR ATHERTON: THERE HAS, OF COURSE, BEEN A VERY  
IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT SINCE MY LAST VISIT. SECRETARY  
VANCE ASKED ME TO COME TO AMMAN AS QUICKLY AS I COULD TO  
INFORM HIS MAJESTY ABOUT THE PRESENT STATUS OF THE PEACE  
PROCESS AND IN PARTICULAR PRESIDENT CARTER'S DECISION TO  
INVITE PRESIDENT SADAT AND PRIME MINISTER BEGIN TO A MEET-  
ING AT CAMP DAVID ON SEPTEMBER 5TH. I AM VERY MUCH LOOK-  
ING FORWARD TO CONVEYING OUR THINKING ABOUT THIS MEETING  
AND OUR HOPES FOR THIS MEETING TO HIS MAJESTY AND TO HEAR-  
ING HIS MAJESTY'S VIEWS. WE ALWAYS VERY MUCH WELCOME AND  
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APPRECIATE HIS MAJESTY'S VIEWS AND ADVICE. I THINK,  
PROBABLY, I SHOULD NOT SAY MORE THAN THAT BEFORE I MEET  
WITH HIS MAJESTY EXCEPT TO SAY AGAIN HOW PERSONALLY  
PLEASED I AM TO BE BACK IN AMMAN WHERE I HAVE SO MANY  
FRIENDS AND HOW MUCH I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH HIS  
MAJESTY. THANK YOU. UNQUOTE.SUDDARTH

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